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5. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION Received a call from Wilma Lehman, of the Civil Service Commission. She had been notified by the Senate Committee on Post Office and Civil Service that the Committee would likely take up H.R. 6227, the right to counsel bill, within the next two weeks. She was preparing to send the Commission's letter to the House Committee, with minor changes, to the Senate Committee and wanted to alert us of the impending action so that we might also contact the Committee.

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I also told McFarland that we have been asked by the House Select Committee for the Director's prepared statements on SALT and compliance. I said we took the position that we do not give them transcripts but the prepared statements are considered to be the Director's property. McFarland said we could show them the 5 March 1975 prepared statement of the Director's briefing of the NSC. He said they can read them at Headquarters but not take them with them.

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8. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON Called Ed Schallert, Representative Les Aspin's (D., Wis.) office, in response to his earlier call about a response to the Congressman's letter on Soviet defense spending. I told him we would have a reply for him on Friday and he was agreeable to this.

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5. (Unclassified - WPB) LIAISON Took a call from Allen Yuspeh, on the staff of Senator Bennett Johnston (D., La.), who wanted us to provide the Senator with the transcript of the Director's testimony on Israeli capabilities before the House International Relations Committee. After consulting with Mr. Cary, I called Yuspeh back and suggested to him that we could work something out along the lines of a briefing for the Senator. Yuspeh said that this would be fine, but that if possible the Senator would also like to see the text of the prepared statement for the House International Relations Committee.

6. (Unclassified - THW) CONSTITUENT I took a call from Sheridan Crawford, on the staff of Representative John Krebs (D., Calif.), regarding a constituent inquiry into covert action. After a brief discussion it appeared that the constituent's inquiry was a serious one and could not be answered over the phone. I, therefore, asked Ms. Crawford to forward a copy of the letter to us and we would respond with something she could forward to the constituent.

7. (Secret - THW) BRIEFING I met and accompanied Rick Gilmore, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to a briefing in [REDACTED] office, OER, on Soviet grain as background for Gilmore's impending trip to Moscow. He also asked and was given tactical information on who to approach and how best to arrange it. He was given a publication entitled "Grain Handling Capability at Soviet Ports," for which he signed a receipt.

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8. (Unclassified - THW) LIAISON I stopped by the office of the Joint Committee on Printing to talk to Denver Dickerson, on the staff of the Committee, regarding the Federal Depository Library Program of the GPO. However, Mr. Dickerson was in conference all day and I was unable to see him.

9. (Unclassified - THW) LIAISON I dropped by the office of Senator John A. Durkin (D., N. H.) to discuss his inquiry regarding the address of an Agency employee. However, he was away from the Hill and would not return until after the Thanksgiving recess.

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10. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION Margo Mazeau, of Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, phoned to say that Dr. David Elliott, of the National Security Council, has called a meeting on the biological weapons draft bill at his office on Monday, 24 November, at 10:00 a.m., and asked if CIA representatives would be able to attend.

11. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION Ray Chapman, of Energy Research and Development Administration, called to advise me that the Administration was considering veto of S. 1517 because of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency's provisions of that bill. He asked if we could get in touch with Les Janka, of the National Security Council staff, and then submit our views to OMB.

12. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON Received a call from Jean Lash, in the office of Senator Milton Young (R., N. Dak.), who was calling on behalf of a friend. The friend, who is employed by the Agency as a secretary, is unhappy in her present position and Ms. Lash wanted to know whether there was an opening in OLC for her. I told Ms. Lash that we had just filled our last opening but that I would check around and be back in touch.

13. (Unclassified - GLC) ADMINISTRATIVE Talked to Bill Kendall, Deputy Assistant for Legislative Affairs at the White House, about the "assassination report" which the Senate is planning to release tomorrow. I told Kendall that the Director had written letters to Senators John Stennis (D., Miss.) and John McClellan (D., Ark.) stating his position against the publication of this report. I also told Kendall that we were planning to provide 45-50 copies of the letter to Senators who might support our cause.

14. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON In response to his invitation, [redacted] and I attended a Thanksgiving reception in the office of Representative James Blanchard (D., Mich.). We had a number of useful conversations with the Congressman and his staff and he personally stated that he supports the work the Agency is doing and his constituents deplore the treatment that has been given the Agency by the Select Committees and various elements of the press.

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20. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON [] OCL, and I dropped in to see Chuck Snodgrass, House Appropriations Committee staff, and I left with him some background material including our draft proposals for a joint committee resolution. I told Snodgrass these were very much in the draft stage and were for his information only. He said he understood and would treat them as such.

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I left with McConnell copies of the letters from GAO and the CSC regarding the request that the Director report his financial holdings to GAO. I said the Director is quite willing to do this but in my own mind, I saw no reason why this type of information should be made available to GAO when it was being provided to the CSC under appropriate provision of law. It appears clear to me the only legal requirement in this area relates to the CSC. McConnell said he would take this up with Jim Calloway, Counsel, of the Committee staff.

22. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON I dropped by Senator Henry M. Jackson's (D., Wash.) office on another matter and was confronted by Richard Perle, of the Senate Government Operations Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations staff, with the matter of his concern over certain aspects of Mulla Mustafa Barzani's visit to the U.S. Perle mentioned he had taken this up with [] and I said I would look into it when I returned to the office.

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4. (Unclassified - RC) BRIEFINGS Accompanied [redacted] OSI, to brief George Berdes, Consultant on the Subcommittee on International Security and Scientific Affairs, Committee on International Relations, on chemical warfare in the USSR and verification problems for the United States.

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5. (Secret - PLC) HEARING Arrangements were made for Monday evening, 17 November at a DCD site for Duke Short, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security staff, to meet with [redacted] to discuss his executive session hearing on Tuesday, 18 November before Senator Strom Thurmond (R. S. Car.). [redacted] and I will also be present.

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7. (Unclassified - DFM) CONSTITUENT Took a call from Dave Callison, in the office of Senator Bob Packwood (R., Ore.). Callison was handling a letter from a constituent who asked why some documents of the Warren Commission were not to be released for 50 years. I briefly explained the Agency's history of cooperation with the Warren Commission, but referred him to the National Archives for an answer to his basic question.

8. (Unclassified - WPB) LEGISLATION James Malone, General Counsel, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, called to ask if we could attend a conference on the draft bill implementing the biological warfare convention on Monday, 17 November at 12:30 p.m. to be held at the State Department. I told him we could.

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STAT 1. (Unclassified - RC) HEARINGS Took five copies of the Agency statement for the Joint hearings on Biomedical and Behavioral Human-use experimentation to Larry Horowitz, Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, Subcommittee on Health. That same evening, I declassified portions of the Agency's responses to Senator Edward M. Kennedy's (D., Mass.) 25 September letter. This involved the 28 October and 5 November responses. The declassification was based on consultations with Bob [redacted] DDS&T and Dr. Sayre Stevens, DDS&T. In general, we deleted all names of organizations as well as references to Dr. Gottlieb, Lashbrook, and the destruction of files.

2. (Unclassified - RJK) LIAISON Spoke with Miss Navon, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress, and told her that a number of documents about which she had inquired were available through the Library of Congress Docex program and that it would be acceptable to cite them in a reference paper.

3. (Unclassified - RJK) FBIS Delivered to the offices of Senators Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.), Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.), Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.), Mike J. Mansfield (D., Mont.), Sam Nunn (D., Ga.) and William V. Roth (R., Del.) FBIS items in which their names were mentioned.

4. (Unclassified - RJK) ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES Delivered maps of the Soviet Union and People's Republic of China to the office of Senator Birch Bayh (D., Ind.) for Demetri Rotow.

✓ 5. (Unclassified - THW) CONSTITUENT I took a call from Roger Eiss, Senior Legislative Assistant to Representative Les AuCoin (D., Ore.), who stated he had a letter from a constituent requesting the name and address of somebody to write to to determine whether the saxitoxin was to be made available to the private sector. I gave him the name of the person in HEW who would be in charge of the toxins.

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4. (Unclassified - LLM) FBIS Mike Masterson, Administrative Assistant to Representative John B. Anderson (R., Ill.), called on behalf of a constituent interested in following developments in Southeast Asia and I referred him to the National Technical Information Service, of the Department of Commerce. It was also suggested that Masterson determine from their dissemination branch whether a depository library in the constituent's vicinity had subscribed to the FBIS area book in question.

5. (Internal Use Only - LLM) BRIEFING Stuart Statler, Minority Chief Counsel, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, Senate Government Operations Committee, called and said he can't wait for the briefing on Mexican heroin trafficking until later in the month (when [] NARCOG will return from the regional conference in [] and I agreed to see if we could set up something earlier. We have tentatively scheduled [] OCI, and [] NARCOG, for a briefing session at 11:00 a.m. on 11 November in Room 159 Russell Senate Office Building.

6. (Internal Use Only - LLM) BRIEFING Roger Majak, Consultant, Subcommittee on International Trade & Commerce, House International Relations Committee, called to further discuss arrangements for today's briefing of the Subcommittee on the Arab Boycott Conference and everything seems to be in order.

7. (Secret - LLM) LIAISON Accompanied [] [] OGC, to a meeting with Chairman Jack Brooks, House Government Operations Committee, (Bill Jones, General Counsel of the Committee, sat in) to review the serious consideration of an offer from a commercial bidder to purchase the remaining aircraft and spare parts of Air America. It was explained that we had touched all bases; committees of Congress, ~~GSA~~ and GAO, and after a briefing on the details by [] Chairman Brooks said it made sense for us to go through with the negotiations but urged to see if we could negotiate the price up somewhat if we could which he thought we should be able to do, ("At least it is worth a try.").

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8. (Secret - LLM) LIAISON Called Bill Hogan, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, to advise him that we had touched base with Chairman Jack Brooks, House Government Operations Committee, on the proposed sale of the remaining assets of Air America and he had no objection. Hogan said he would push GAO to get their written report in to them and told us not to sign anything until Chairman Lucien Nedzi (D., Mich.) has received the written report. [] was advised.

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10. (Confidential - LLM) BRIEFING In response to Alan Romberg's, in the office of Representative David Obey (D., Wis.), call arrangements were made to brief Representatives Obey, J. Edward Roush (D., Ind.), Joseph Early (D., Mass.), Edward Koch (D., N.Y.), and possibly Clarence Long (D., Md.) on the Middle East at 0800 hours on Thursday, 6 November in room 208 Cannon House Office Building. Romberg agreed that no staff would be present under the groundrules I laid out. In lieu of [] NIO/ME, [] [] office, will be the principal briefer.

11. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON Called Tim Ingram, Staff Director, Subcommittee on Government Information & Individual Rights, House Government Operations Committee, in follow-up of [] C/Services Staff, session with him last Friday, and straightened out the number of periodic reviews of the Warren Commission material which were the subject of letters from the Agency to the Archivist and that three of the four letters are en route to Ingram via the National Archives and we are reviewing the fourth letter prior to transmittal.

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